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SUBJECT: (S/NF) KUDOS AND FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS ON MADRID'S
POLICY TOWARDS TEHRAN (C-RE9-02335)

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[1](#)B. MADRID 000836

Classified By: ELISSA G. PITTERLE, DIRECTOR, INR/OPS. REASON: 1.4(C).

[1](#)1. (C) WASHINGTON ANALYSTS GREATLY APPRECIATE POST'S
INSIGHTFUL REPORTING ON MADRID'S POLICY TOWARD TEHRAN. WE
READ REF A WITH GREAT INTEREST AND FOUND THE REPORTING
INVALUABLE TOWARD UNDERSTANDING SPAIN'S CURRENT POSITION ON
ADDITIONAL IRAN SANCTIONS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER
INFORMATION ON MADRID'S POLICY TOWARD TEHRAN, AS TIME AND
RESOURCES PERMIT.

[1](#)A. (C) IS FOREIGN MINISTER MORATINOS SETTING SPAIN'S POLICY
ON IRAN ALONE, OR IN CONSULTATION WITH PRESIDENT ZAPATERO'S
OFFICE?

[1](#)B. (C) ARE THERE ANY SIGNS OF DIVISION BETWEEN THE WORKING
LEVEL CONTACTS AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MFA) AND
THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON SPAIN'S POLICY ON IRAN?

[1](#)C. (C) WHAT INDICATIONS, IF ANY, ARE THERE THAT FOREIGN
MINISTER MORATINOS MIGHT TAKE A DIFFERENT STANCE TOWARDS IRAN
IF DIRECTED BY PRESIDENT ZAPATERO OR SECRETARY GENERAL LEON?

[1](#)D. (C) HOW MUCH INFLUENCE, IF ANY, DO THE MFA, THE MINISTRY
OF INDUSTRY, AND THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY HAVE IN THE
FORMULATION OF SPAIN'S POLICY ON IRAN?

[1](#)E. (C) WHO, IF ANYONE, AT THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY,
MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, AND THE CENTRAL BANK, IS INFLUENCING
PRESIDENT ZAPATERO OR FOREIGN MINISTER MORATINOS REGARDING
POLICIES TOWARD IRAN?

[1](#)2. (U) PLEASE CITE C-RE9-02335 IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF
REPORTING IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS.
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